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This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled:

SLIDING BEARING AND BEARING MECHANISM HAVING THE SAME

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This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

- Newly executed Declaration, Copy of Declaration from prior application, Abstract
 Please delete the following inventors in the continuation/division/continuation-in-part application:

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33 pages of specification and claims (including 28 numbered claims), and

9 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.

 Attached is a Power of Attorney. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed
2002-248664	JP	28 August 2002
2003-125420	JP	30 April 2003
2003-275184	JP	16 July 2003

, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..

 Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached. Certified copy(ies) filed on _____ in prior application no. _____ filed _____ This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application. This application is a continuation/ division/ continuation-in-part of Application No. _____, filed _____, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application. Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency. The prior application is assigned to _____, _____. It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the above parent application(s) by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached, but pursuant to Rule 98(d) copies are not required. Applicant claims "small entity" status. "Small entity" statement attached. Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee: Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement; Non-Publication Request; Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; Other:

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